

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A method of treating a subject having a condition, comprising:  
contacting an area of the subject having the condition with an effective amount of  
a nanocrystalline material that comprises:  
a metal selected from the group consisting of silver, platinum and  
palladium; and  
an element selected from the group consisting of oxygen, nitrogen, carbon,  
boron, sulfur, a halogen, phosphorus, silicon, hydrogen and combinations thereof,  
wherein:  
the nanocrystalline material is in a suppository or an enema,  
the nanocrystalline material contains at least about one atomic percent of  
the element, and  
the condition is inflammatory bowel disease.

2-42. (Cancelled).

43. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the metal ~~comprises~~ is  
silver.

44. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the nanocrystalline  
material is in a suppository.

45. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, wherein the nanocrystalline material is in an enema.

46-47. (Cancelled).

48. (New) The method of claim 44, wherein the metal is silver.

49. (New) The method of claim 45, wherein the metal is silver.